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As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

TYPE OF DECLARATION

This declaration is for an original application.

INVENTORSHIP IDENTIFICATION

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below, next to my name. I believe that I am an original, first and joint inventor of the subject matter that is claimed, and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

TITLE OF INVENTION

Composite Coated/Encapsulated Wood Products and Methods to Produce the Same

SPECIFICATION IDENTIFICATION

The specification was filed on November 17, 2003, as serial number 10/716,392.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF REVIEW OF PAPERS AND DUTY OF CANDOR

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information, which is material to patentability as defined in 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56, and which is material to the examination of this application, namely, information where there is a substantial likelihood that a reasonable Examiner would consider it important in deciding whether to allow the application to issue as a patent.

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STATEMENT CLAIMING SMALL ENTITY STATUS

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I have read the Important Note Concerning Small Entities provided to me with this document.¹

I am an official empowered to act on behalf of Lumbertek LLC.

It is my understanding that Lumbertek LLC is entitled to claim small entity status for purposes of paying reduced fees with regard to the above invention because:

Lumbertek LLC qualifies as a small business as described in the Important Note. Furthermore, rights to the captioned invention are not licensed or subject to obligation to be licensed to a party other than a small entity.

I acknowledge the duty to file, in this application, notification of any change in status resulting in loss of entitlement to small entity status prior to paying, or at the time of paying, the earliest of the issue fee or any maintenance fee due after the date on which status as a small business entity is no longer appropriate.

Signature:

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Date:

12/30/03

¹Please call if you have questions regarding any aspect of the requirements of small entity status.